1 2 3 4 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 5 EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 6 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 7 NO. CR-05-180-LRS Plaintiff, 8 v. ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR 9 RECONSIDERATION DIXIE ELLEN RANDOCK, 10 STEVEN KARL RANDOCK, SR., AMY LEANN HENSLEY, 11 HEIDI KAE LORHAN, 12 ROBERTA LYNN MARKISHTUM, 13 Defendants. 14 BEFORE THE COURT is the government's February 8, 2007 motion for 15 reconsideration (Ct. Rec. 270) of this Court's January 3, 2007 order (Ct. 16 17 Rec. 265.) 18 The government asks this Court to reconsider the following portion 19 of its January 3, 2007 order: 20 Defendants' Motion to Inspect Original Hard Drive (Ct. Rec. 249) is GRANTED. The original hard drives should be made 21 available. The parties shall confer about a protective order 22 concerning such information and the process for inspecting the original hard drives. The Court notes that this order does not 23 apply to any child pornography allegedly on the hard drives." 24 Ct. Rec. 265 at 6. 25 26 ORDER - 1

The government argues that the order gives "the defense blanket access to all computer hard drives now in or which may come into, the possession, custody, and control of the government for inspection and copying." Ct. Rec. 270 at 1.

However, as the Defendants correctly point out that "part of the inspection process will be to verify that the EnCase copies are true and correct copies of the native hard drives." Ct. Rec. 277 at 2. This Court is confident that such a process can be accomplished without compromising the integrity of the hard drives in question. Any protocol for inspection should include write blocking hardware. The Defendants agree to this procedure. The government has the right to be present and participate in the inspection process to ensure that no changes to the hard drives occur. Government oversight should, however, be arranged in a manner which will not involve intrusion into Defendants' work product.

The parties should meet and confer about any unresolved details concerning the inspection process. If an agreement cannot be reached, either party may file a motion for expedited review before this Court. The Court commends the parties for their continued cooperation during the discovery phase of this complex case.

For the reasons explained above, the government's motion for reconsideration (Ct. Rec. 270) is DENIED.

IT IS SO ORDERED. The District Court Executive is directed to enter this order and to provide copies to all counsel. **DATED** this 3^{rd} day of April, 2007. /s/ Lonny R. Suko LONNY R. SUKO United States District Judge

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